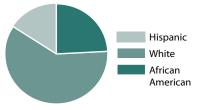
# **Lake County**

Lead agency: **Gary Community Health Foundation, Inc.** Coordinator: Irene Phillips

**Total Population** 496,005 18-24 Population by age group Population by race



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# TOBACCO AND HEALTH IN LAKE COUNTY



# **Smoking and pregnancy**

# Births affected by smoking

low birth weight, SIDS, reduced lung function

# **Cost of smoking** related births

\$1.5 million

879

# Percent of pregnant women who smoke

Indiana		18.5%
Lake County	y	13.0%

# **Smoking deaths**

### Deaths attributable to smoking

# Deaths due to secondhand smoke

# **Economic burden of secondhand**

smoke: \$30.5 million

# **Smoking related illness**

15,505

### TOBACCO CONTROL FUNDING

# \$294,250

Funding in Lake County for July 2011- June 2013.

The CDC recommends the Indiana government spend **\$78** million each year on tobacco prevention and control programs.

Actual spending in Indiana: \$10 million

# \$4.8 billion

Economic cost in Indiana due to smoking, according to the Centers for Disease Control.

Cost per Indiana citizen: \$740

### TOBACCO FREE POLICIES

### Smoke free community workplace and restaurant law:

City of Crown Point

### **Hospitals and Health Care Facilities:**

• Community Hospital Munster • Franciscan Physicans Hospital • Methodist Hospitals • St. Anthony Medical Center • St. Catherine Hospital • St. Catherine Hospital • St. Mary Medical Center • Saint Margaret Mercy Healthcare • Edgewater Systems for Balanced Living • Southlake Community Mental Health Center • Tri-City Comprehensive Community Mental Health Center

#### **Colleges and Universities:**

• Indiana University - Northwest • Ivy Tech - East Chicago • Ivy Tech - Gary • Purdue University - Calumet

#### **School Districts:**

• Charter School of the Dunes • Crown Point Community School Corporation • Gary Community School Corporation • Griffith Public Schools • Hanover Community School Corporation • Lake Ridge Schools • Merrillville Community School Corporation • School Town of Munster • School City of Hammond • School City of Hobart

### MINORITY-BASED TOBACCO CONTROL COALITION

- Gary Community Health Foundation, Inc
- Laké Ridge School Corporation
- Merrillville Community School Corporation
- Indiana University-SPÉA
- Gary Literacy Foundation
- Champagna Academy
- Charter School of the Dunes
- Gary Community School Corporation
- Thea Bowman Schools
- Community HealthNet
- Gary Board of Health
- Healthy Lifestyles
- The Methodist Hospitals
- Multicultural Welness Network
- Bibleway Church
- Clark Road Baptist Church
- St. James Baptist Church
- The Gary Fire Department
- The Gary Police Department
- Calument Township

- Gary Neighborhood Services
- Urban League of Northwest Indiana
- Gary Frontiers
- Gary Alumnae Chapter Delta Sigma Theta Sorority
- EPA-Gary CARE Partnership
- B&W Security
- Anthem Insurance
- Great Lakes Adult Foster Care Home
- Girl Scouts of Greater Chicago and Northwest Indiana

# COMMUNITY INDICATORS

### Protect and maintain local tobacco control coalition

infrastructure needed to combat tobacco use, as well as working with community organizations to reduce tobacco use among those groups most impacted by tobacco

### Protect Hoosiers from exposures to secondhand smoke by:

- Supporting local and/or statewide smoke-free air ordinances for worksites, including restaurants, bars, and gaming facilities
- Implementing tobacco-free campus policies for hospitals, health care centers, mental health centers and clinics, and addiction treatment centers
- Assisting school districts to implement comprehensive tobaccofree campuses
- Working toward smoke-free policies in public housing

### Decrease adult smoking rates by:

- Promoting the Indiana Tobacco Quitline (1-800- QUIT NOW) throughout the community
- Working with health care providers to ensure they ask, advise, and refer their patients to tobacco treatment

### Decrease youth smoking rates by:

 Supporting community activism among youth through the VOICE movement

